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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to a universal summer youth program plan

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 4 of title 21 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 21-414 to read as follows:

§ 21-414 Universal summer youth program plan. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings

Department. The term “department” means the department of youth and community development.

School. The term “school” means a school of the city school district of the city of New York.

Youth. The term “youth” means any person under 18 years of age or under 21 years of age who does not have a high school diploma and who is enrolled in a school as school is defined in this subdivision.

Summer youth program. The term “summer youth program” means any organized program, under the jurisdiction of either the department, the department of education or the department of parks and recreation that occurs during the months of July and August, which allows youths to participate in expanded learning activities that include, but are not limited to, academic support, arts and cultural enrichment, recreation, sports, nutrition, youth development, and mentoring.

b. Subject to appropriation, no later than September 1, 2021, the department, in consultation with the department of education, the department of parks and recreation and any relevant city agency, shall make a summer youth program slot available for any youth who requests one.

§ 2. Universal summer youth program reporting. a. No later than September 1, 2020, and annually thereafter on or before September 1, the department of youth and community development, in consultation with the department of education, the department of parks and recreation and any relevant city agency, shall submit to the mayor and speaker of the council, conspicuously post to its website and make available to youths and parents, a report detailing the implementation efforts to be undertaken by the city to achieve universal summer youth programs pursuant to section 21-414 of the administrative code of the city of New York. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to:

1. An assessment of how many summer youth programs are needed to achieve universal summer youth programs;

2. The availability and cost of creating additional capacity within existing summer youth programs and how many new summer youth programs need to be created and the cost associated with creating such programs;

3. Current methods used by the department of youth and community development, the department of education and the department of parks and recreation to make youths and parents aware of summer youth programs;

4. The number and percentage of youths, disaggregated by borough, taking part in a summer youth programs as compared with the preceding calendar year;

5. To the extent such information is available, the demographic information for youths in each after summer youth program including, but not limited to age, race, ethnicity, gender and family income as compared with the preceding calendar year;

6. Steps the department of youth and community development, the department of education and the department of parks and recreation are taking to increase enrollment in existing summer youth programs;

7. Implementation deadlines to be achieved in establishing universal summer youth programs; and

8. Any other issues related to summer youth program capacity and participation rates in the city that the

department of youth and community development, the department of education and the department of parks and recreation deem appropriate.

b. Beginning with the second report required pursuant to subdivision a of this section and for every report thereafter, the department of youth and community development, in consultation with the department of education, the department of parks and recreation and any relevant city agency, shall incorporate progress made in achieving implementation deadlines required pursuant to paragraph seven of subdivision a of this section. If implementation deadlines are not able to be met in any given year, the department of youth and community development shall detail why the implementation deadline will not be met and identify remedial steps the department will take to achieve the implementation timeframe in subsequent years.

c. Upon implementation of universal after school pursuant to section 21-410 of the administrative code of the city of New York, the department of youth and community development, in consultation with the department of education the department of parks and recreation and any relevant city agency, shall certify to the mayor and the speaker of the council that a summer youth program slot is available for all youths.

§ 3. This local law takes effect immediately, except that section two of this local law is deemed repealed at the conclusion of the final calendar year during which the department of youth and community development, in consultation with the department of education, the department of parks and recreation and any relevant city agency, has certified to the mayor and speaker of the council that a summer youth program slot is available for all youth.

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